



Council Meeting: January 25, 2011

SUBJECT: Approval of Budget Modification No. 23 to Recognize Grant Funding and Appropriate Funds for the Project Readiness Initiative Capital Project That Provides Financial Support for Grant Preparation Activities for Transportation Projects

DISCUSSION

The City of Sunnyvale has been awarded additional funding from the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) for activities related to preparing materials to facilitate transportation project grant funding. Staff is recommending that the City Council approve Budget Modification No. 23 to appropriate an additional \$25,000 in funds from the VTA Project Readiness Initiative Program. This will bring the total VTA Project Readiness Initiative funding realized by Sunnyvale to \$50,000.

BACKGROUND

The VTA has adopted a pilot program to reimburse local agencies for expenditures related to preparing materials to facilitate transportation project grant funding from certain Federal, State and Regional sources. The purpose of the program is to maximize opportunities for grant funding from outside of the Santa Clara County agencies. Agencies are eligible for up to \$25,000, and are eligible for additional funding once the initial \$25,000 has been spent. Sunnyvale has expended all of its original allotment, and has requested and been approved for \$25,000 in additional funding.

EXISTING POLICY

Fiscal Sub-Element 7.1B.4d; Pursue and use intergovernmental assistance for projects in the Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no net fiscal impact to the General Fund for appropriating these grant funds. Budget Modification No. 23 has been prepared to appropriate an additional \$25,000 of the subject grant funding to project 828840, Project Readiness Initiative Program, as follows:

Budget Modification No. 23
FY 2010/2011

	Current	Increase/ (Decrease)	Revised
General Fund			
<u>Revenues:</u>			
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA)	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000
<u>Expenditures:</u>			
Project 828840 – Project Readiness Initiative Program	\$ 0	\$25,000	\$25,000

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall, in the Council Chambers lobby, in the Office of the City Clerk, at the Library, Senior Center, Community Center and Department of Public Safety; posting the agenda and report on the City's Web site; and making the report available at the Library the Office of the City Clerk and on the City's Web site.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve Budget Modification No. 23 to appropriate an additional \$25,000 of the subject grant funding to project 828840, Project Readiness Initiative Program.
2. Do not take action at this time and forfeit grant funding for transportation grant activities.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Alternative No. 1: Approve Budget Modification No. 23 to appropriate an additional \$25,000 of the subject grant funding to project 828840, Project Readiness Initiative Program.

Approval of these actions will allow funding to be realized and appropriated for transportation funding activities.

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